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SUBJECT: ESCAP:31ST SESSION, INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN
DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

1. FULL TEXT OF U.S. DEL POSITION STATEMENT FOLLOWS RE
SUBJECT TO BE DELIVERED UNDER PROVISIONAL AGENDA 5(A)
CONSIDERATION OF ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELDS OF ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, WEDNESDAY PM, FEBRUARY 26:

QUOTE: MR. CHAIRMAN: THE US DELEGATION WISHES
TO NOTE THAT RESOLUTION 3010 XXVII OF THE UNGA
PROCLAIMED 1975 AS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR AND URGED
INTENSIFIED ACTION TO PROMOTE EQUALITY BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN
AND TO THE FULL INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN THE TOTAL
DEVELOPMENT EFFORT. OTHER RESOLUTIONS OF THE 29TH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY CALLED UPON THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS TO TAKE
APPROPRIATE STEPS TO FURTHER THE GOALS OF INTERNATIONAL
WOMEN'S YEAR; FOR EXAMPLE, EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE AND
TO ACCELERATE THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN:

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ATTACHES
CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO THE TERMS OF THE PERCY
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AMENDMENT TO THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1974. THE FOREIGN

ASSISTANCE ACT IS IN FACT A LEGISLATIVE MANDATE FOR THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT. USAID'S IN THE FIELD ARE REQUIRED, BY LAW, TO SEE THAT THE ACT IS SO ADMINISTERED AS TO GIVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THOSE PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES THAT TEND TO INTEGRATE WOMEN INTO THE NATIONAL ECONOMIES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES, THUS IMPROVING THEIR STATUS AND ASSISTING THE TOTAL DEVELOPMENT EFFORT.

WE WOULD, FURTHERMORE, SUPPORT ANY INITIATIVE BY AN ESCAP MEMBER COUNTRY TO INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE SECRETARIAT TO IMPLEMENT THE ASIAN PLAN OF ACTION AS SUMMARIZED IN E/CN.11/1202.

IN PASSING, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT A SIMILAR PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT WAS PUT INTO EFFECT BY THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA (ECA) IN 1974. THE ECA PLAN HAS DRAWN FAVORABLE ATTENTION FOR ITS IMAGINATIVE AND CREATIVE APPROACH TO THE PROBLEM AS WELL AS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM A NUMBER OF DONOR COUNTRIES IN EUROPE AS WELL AS THE UNITED STATES. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. UNQUOTE

2. UNDER SEPTTEL I AM FORWARDING ALSO FOR YOU PERSONAL CONSIDERATION AND EARLIEST REACTION THE FULL TEXT OF AN ESCAP DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT EXPECTED TO BE ADOPTED DURING COURSE SUBJECT SESSION.

3. I WOULD WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS SOONEST RE CITED DOCUMENTS IN ORDER INCLUDE IN MY GENERAL OVERLAY USG POSITION STATEMENT IN PLENARY SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28 IN AM. PLEASE REPLY BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.SCHNEIDER

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